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## STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

In Re:

DETERMINATION OF AREAS OF CRITICAL NEED PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 458.315 AND 459.0076, FLORIDA STATUTES

WHEREAS, sections 458.315 and 459.0076, Florida Statutes, provides that a

Temporary Certificate may be issued to a physician who will practice in an area of critical need;
and

WHEREAS, sections 458.315(3)(a) and 459.0076(3)(a), Florida Statutes, provides that I, as the State Surgeon General shall determine the areas of critical need.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH A. LADAPO, MD, PhD, pursuant to the authority granted by sections 458.315(3)(a) and 459.0076(3)(a), Florida Statutes, determine that the areas of critical need within the State of Florida are primary care and mental health Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA), designated by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), as displayed at: https://data.hrsa.gov/tools/shortage-area/by-address; Volunteer Health Care Provider Program participants; free clinics; and any location that was in a designated HPSA at the time the Temporary Certificate was issued or renewed, whichever was later, but was withdrawn by HRSA as published in the Federal Register during the term of the Temporary Certificate, shall be considered as practicing in an area of critical need until the next Temporary Certificate renewal.



In addition, the following institutions which have been operating as an approved institution in a designated area of critical need but which are not located in a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) as designated by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, shall continue to be designated and approved as an area of critical need for so long as the facility continues to provide health care to meet the needs of the underserved population in its area, or until further Order by the State Surgeon General:

Crossroads 444 Valparaiso Parkway, Building C Valparaiso, Florida 32580

Med Express Urgent Care 13856 North Dale Mabry Tampa, Florida 33618

Interamerican Medical Center Group 15529 Bull Run Road Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

Executed this 10 day of August 2022, in Department of Health Offices, Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

Joseph A. Ladapo, MD, PhD

State Surgeon General